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QUANTITATIVE RT-PCR

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136, Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a two-month extension of time extending to May 13, 2008, the period for response to the Office Action dated December 13, 2007. Please charge the fee of \$230 for this extension to Deposit Account No. 50-1314. The responsive paper(s) are attached.

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Respectfully submitted.

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